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Musical Comedy "Bells Are Ringing" Chosen As Fourth Annual Production

Bells Are Ringing has been selected as the spring musical production to be presented in the Rock Island high school auditorium on the nights of April 3 and 4 at 8:00 p.m.

The book and lyrics were composed by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. The musical adaptation was written by Jules Styne. Styne's other works include the musical productions of Funny Girl, High Button Shoes, Gypsy, and Do Re Mi.

Vocal music for **Bells Are Ringing** will be managed by the director of vocal music, Murray J. Osborn, a speech and drama coach, F. Eugene Malcolm, and the director of the orchestra, Jerome P. Hart.

Songs from the musical include "I'm Going Back," "Better Than A Dream," "Just In Time," and "The Party's Over."

Try-outs will begin the week of February 9, after school in room 213.

This will be the fourth consecutive year that Rocky has undertaken such a project. Three years ago, Oklahoma, the first musical in many years, was presented by the music department.

Two years ago **Guys and Dolls** was performed, and **Where's Charley** was last year's presentation.

Moline To Host Sectional Debate Tourney March 7th

The Sectional debate tournament will be held in Moline on March 7, 1970. Four Rock Island high school debaters will attend this meet. The four debaters will be chosen from the following group: Mike Docterman, Linnea Johnson, Marty Lefstein, Bob Martensen, Rory Thomson, and John Robison. There will be approximately thirty schools in attendance. The debate will last four rounds.

The question posed to the debaters this year was, "What should the United States foreign policy be toward the U.S.'s military involvment?" The debaters then debate the pros and cons of the resolution, "Congress should prohibit unilateral United States military intervention in foreign countries."

The Rocky High debate team is under the direction of Mr. Phillip Dennis, who also teaches European History, American History, and American Government.

The school's debate team has done quite well in its previous matches. Linnea Johnson and John Robison came one round from qualifying for the finals at the debate tournament at Augustana College on January 16th and 17th. Their total score was four wins and two losses. Mike Docterman and Rory Thomson had a 3-3 total in this same tournament.

The team competed for the first time in an University of Illinois invitational meet at Champaign on February 6th and 7th. Rory Thomson, Mike Docterman, Linnea Johnson, and Marty Lefstein debated in this meet. Over sixty schools from the state competed in this event.

Mr. Dennis and the debate team have discussed the possibilities of holding a novice invitational debate tournament at the high school. This plan will have to be delayed until the new debate question is given out. Thoughts are that the new question will likely be, "What should we do to fight pollution?" This event would be open to all area students interested in debating this topic.

PREPARING FOR DISTRICT SPEECH CONTEST are, front row, Susan Anderson, Vicki Enburg, Linnea Johnson, Jan Peschang, and Bridget Kennedy; back row, John Robison and Mark Ramser. Missing from the picture are Debbie Bunch and Beci Senski.

Students Will Compete For Awards At Speech Contest

Nine Rock Island high school students will travel to LaSalle, Illinois, to participate in the district speech contest on Saturday, February 14.

Among the entrants will be Bridget Kennedy, who won a first place award at the Alleman Quad-City Conference. Bridget will be entered in two categories. She will do "The Lark" in the serious reading section and an after-dinner speech called "Hinkley Junction Hobby Awards."

Also entered in the contest will be John Robison in extempore speaking. Linnea Johnson will do ". . . And He Was Gone," a speech about Martin Luther King, Jr. as her original oration.

In the comedy reading section Becki Senske will do a cutting from The American Dream. "The Diary" will be done by Jan Peschang in the original monologue category.

Women's rights will be Debbie Bunch's topic in the original declamation section.,

Also entered in the contest will be Vicki Enburg in verse, Sue Anderson in prose and Mark Ramser in radio speaking.

The contest will be held at the LaSalle-Peru high school in LaSalle. The all-day speech event will determine the district winners who will then advance to the sectional and then on to the state contest.

The students, who are traveling by car, will be accompanied by F. Eugene Malcolm, the speech and drama instructor at Rocky.

One speech student, Susie Cooper, said, "I feel that Rock Island will be well represented, and hope that the entrants will bring home many honors."

Two Rocky Bands Will Present First Concert of Year Thursday

The intertwining sounds of the Rock Island high school bands will come to life Thursday, February 19, at 8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The two bands, under the direction of Mr. Donald Kruzan, consist of aproximately 90 members each, which form the concert and symphonic instrumental assemblage.

The symphonic band will present such numbers as "Overture in F," "West Side Story," "Polka and Fuge," and "Batque."

The concert band will perform such selections as "Overture to a Fanfare," "Theme from The Apartment," and pieces from the broadway musical, Funny Girl.

This is the Rock Island bands first concert for the 1969-70 school year. Their second and last concert will be presented in May. Band members, a spokesman said, have been striving to make this concert a huge success since these presentations are the only fund raising events of the entire school year. These funds will be used to purchase new instruments and musical literature.

Tickets can be purchased from any band member or at the door the evening of the performance.

Two Rock Island Students Receive Citizenship Awards

Annette Burlingame and John Robison were each presented a $25.00 Savings Bond on January 21 at the Rock Island Elks Lodge No. 980 as a reward for their success in the Elks Youth Leadership contest. The presentation was made by Alfred Huber, exalted ruler of the Rock Island Lodge. Because of a theme they wrote concerning leadership, the two recipients will be entered in the Elks Northwest District Contest.

Annette is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Burlingame, 1830 41st St., Rock Island. She has been active in extracurricular activities at Rocky during all three years. This year she has scholastically excelled and achieved a place in the top 5% as well as the National Honor Society and the Senior Honor Roll.

Throughout her three years at Rock Island, Annette has been an active member of the German Club, Literary Club, and Y-teens. As a Y-teen member this year, she was chosen as a cabinet member.

In the last two years, she has belonged to the Senior Glee Club and the Young Republicans. Annette holds the position of Secretary-Treasurer in the all new club created this year, Fraction Faction.

John Robison is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean C. Robison, 1423 35th Avenue, Rock Island. He also has taken an active role in many clubs and organizations. This year he is among the top 5% and is a member of the National Honor Society. He is participating in the Senior Glee, intramurals, and in the Student Senate, where he is the president. John has been chosen as a Junior Rotarian, also.

John has belonged to French Club, Debate Team, Golf Team, and Dramatics Club, during his three years at Rocky. He has also taken part in three Speech contests. Currently, he is president of Key Club.

Annette Burlingame remarked, when asked of her first reaction upon receiving the citizenship award, I was pleased to receive the letter informing me that I had won." John Robison, in reference to his reaction upon receiving the citizenship award, said, "I was pleased and happy to receive this award."

Do Your Thing At Campus Life With Quad-Cities Youth

CAMPUS LIFE WANTS YOU! Campus Life is the newest club at Rock Island high school. It is affiliated with the Mississippi Valley Youth for Christ. All interested students may become members by attending three consecutive meetings. There are no membership dues or initiation rituals.

Campus Life has its meetings on the 3rd and 4th Monday of each month. On the 3rd Monday the meeting is held in room 118 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and on the 4th Monday it is held in a specified home with the time period from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The purpose for which this club have been formed are to introduce, explain and emphasize to high school young people the importance of the five major areas of the balanced life: namely, physical, mental, social, moral and spiritual. It has been designed to emphasize the need of being respectable, loyal and useful citizens.

The newly elected officers are Debbie Sullivan, president and David Harrell, vice-president. It is under the advisement of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Butterfield and Campus Life director, Hugh Rohrer.

Miskowicz Crowned King; Reigns as Swirl Sovereign

Lew Miskowicz, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Miskowicz, 3200 26th Avenue, was crowned King of Sweetheart Swirl on January 31st in the Y.W.C.A. gym. He was escorted by Judy McWade.

The other candidates for King were Steve Arnold, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Arnold, 2837 29th Avenue, escorted by Candy Wall; Scott Boxman, the son of Mr and Mrs. Allyn Boxman, 2837 45th Street, escorted by Denise McDonald; John Robison, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean C. Robison, 1423 35th Avenue, escorted by Fanny Larre; and Doug Stelling, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stelling, 1619 28th Street, escorted by Linda Barr.

One of the five candidates was voted for by all Y- Teens after purchasing their tickets for the dance.

Lew Miskowicz

Sweetheart Swirl, Sponsored by Y - Teens, was held in the gym of the Y.W.C.A. The theme of this year's dance was Wonderland of Hearts, attributed to Lewis Carroll's **Alice in Wonderland.**

The gymnasium was decorated with card figures, teacups, and hearts with the focal point being a tree and a Cheshire cat in the center of the gym. The focal point was made by a committee headed by Nancy Kelly. Each Y-teen had to have served on three service projects, have attended at least two meetings, and have helped for a minimum of one hour on the decorations before being able to purchase tickets for the dance.

Music was provided by Hal Wiese and his orchestra. Pictures were taken by Adolphi Studios. The theme of the dance will be engraved in gold on the picture covers.

Lew Miskowicz is an active member of Lettermen, Key Club, and played fullback for the undefeated Rock Island football team this year.

Rocky PTSA Has February Meeting On H.S. Problems

The Parent-Teacher-Student Association meeting was held February 5, in the library at the Rock Island high school.

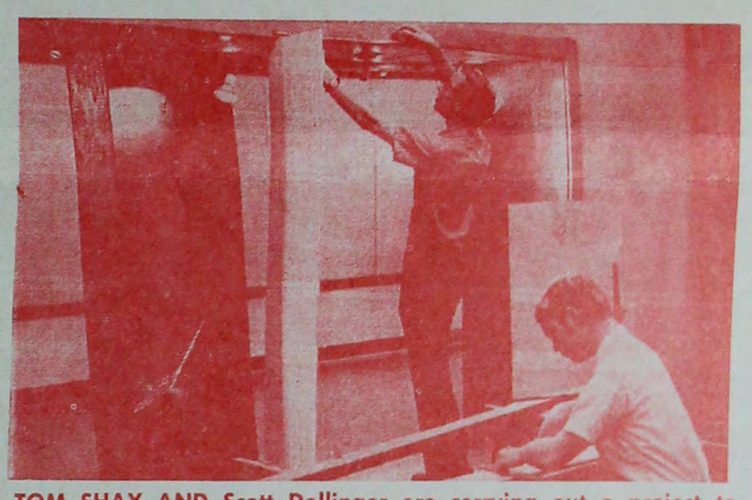
Mr. Harold Voyles, Mr. Ellis Shaffer, and Mr. Edward Evans talked about problems at the high school and how they affect the emotions of the students.

Past presidents were honored and Founders Day was observed.

Election of officers took place. Members of the Nominating Committee were Mr. Edward Evans, Miss Sandra Stoit, Mrs. Robert Foulkes, Mrs. Morris Maisenbach, Mrs. Richard Rosenthal, Mrs. Mattie Seward, and Mrs. Charles Heggen.

The **Crimson Crier** went to press before the election took place. The results will be announced in the next issue.

Members of the PTSA would like to encourage students to attend more meetings. Mrs. William Huffman, '69-'70 president said that very few students attend meetings.



TOM SHAY AND Scott Dollinger are carrying out a project to make a cage for this boa constrictor. Meanwhile, the boa waits for his new quarters to be completed.

Science Departments Adding Live Boa Constrictor To List Of Reptiles

A reptilian cage will be made in the On-The-Job-Training window on third floor, a new project inaugurated by the Science Council.

Tom Shay, Biology student, began the idea of having a cage for a boa constrictor in the window. He contacted Scott Doellinger, a fellow student, and Mr. Robert Motz, Biology teacher, and the idea became a reality.

The boys checked with Mr. Harold Voyles, principal, and he consented to the project. They then brought the idea to Science Council and received fifty dollars to cover costs.

The cage should be completed within a few weeks. In addition to the boa constrictor, the cage will hold several turtles, frogs, and lizards. It will also have a small waterfall and a tree on which the snake can climb.

Boa constrictors require live food. They attack their prey, strangle it, and swallow it whole. As the food digests the lump slowly dissolves, and in a month the snake needs more food. The Biology department is going to raise mice to feed the snake.

The problem of what to do with this reptile in the summer has already been considered. One of the biology students familiar with the habits of the boa constrictor will care for the reptile in his home for the summer.

March Of Dimes Goal Not Reached

A total of $568.80 was collected for the annual March of Dimes drive in student senates over a four day period. This period began January 20, and was continued through January 24.

$99.41 was collected the first day. The second day, a total of $92.47 was received. The third day amounted to $81.56 and the fourth day reached $181.13.

The faculty added to this with a contribution of $25 and $89.23 was collected during the Rocky-Dav. Central game. The goal had been $1,000, but the school failed to make it this year.

Red Letter Days

February

13—BB game here against Moline — District in wrestling at Moline

14—BB game at East Aurora — Peoria Richwood swimming here at 7:00 — District in wrestling at Moline

20—BB game here against Quincy — Regional in wrestling at Dixon

21—BB game at Galesburg — District swim meet — Regional in wrestling

27—BB game at Davenport Central — State wrestling in Bloomington — State swim meet

28—State wrestlers in Bloomington

March

10—Broadway Theatre League presents "Your Own Thing" at RKO Orpheum

All Girl Squad Becoming Obsolete; Boys Needed on Cheerleading Squad

In the past it has always been women striving for equal rights and opportunities. Through marches and protests they have broken into practically all previously all male occupations.

Here at Rock Island High School it is no longer the females who are being barred from various activities, but rather the males. Boys are not allowed to be cheerleaders, a very aspired for position.

Boy cheerleaders are certainly not uncommon. Most colleges and universities have employed these deeper voiced spirit leaders. Our closest neighbor Alleman, also has boys on their cheerleading squad. Alleman first had a boy as their school mascot, but then decided to add boys to their regular cheerleading squad. The spirit exhibited at games has been greatly amplified with the help of these new leaders.

Boy cheerleaders at Rock Island High would not only generate more school spirit, but the girl's gymnastic stunts could be greatly increased with the help of these boys. The boys would not necessarily have to perform the actual motions to the cheers, but they could yell the chants at the sidelines.

Many attempts have been made to increase school spirit; boy cheerleaders might be an answer.

Time Is Always Invisible; Especially At High School

In the United States, there is Eastern, Central, Mountain, and Pacific times. At Rock Island high school, students have ground, first, second, and third floor times. On ground floor, the time will be two o'clock, while on first floor the time will read three o'clock. On second floor, the precision-made wall timepieces will record the hour as one o'clock. Last of all, on third floor, the clocks will show the time to be one minute to five, no matter what time of day it is.

When school opened last fall, the clocks, as if nothing else was new, did not work. Finally, after a month of the students carrying around sundials, the clocks were fixed. The miracle of knowing the correct time lasted approximately one and a half weeks. The clocks broke down and since then no one without a watch knows the time. If no other good has come from the lack of school clocks, the watch-makers of the Quad-Cities have a booming business on their hands.

It would seem that a school that puts out thousands on buildings and equipment, could spend a little of that money to fix the clocks. Or is someone trying to tell us we should tell time by the sun?

Trade Winds

Friday the 13th is a supernatural day to find out if you are a witch or a warlock. The **Hi Life** of Fairmont Senior High in Fairmont, West Virginia printed a survey with the help of their local witch, Arlo. If you are a witch or a warlock: 1. Your favorite book is: a. The Egyptian Book of the Dead, b. The Book of Shadows, c. Rosemary's Baby, d. Hansel and Gretal. 2. You would most like to meet: a. John Lennon, b. Sybil Leek, c. Dana Rigg, d. Robert Vaughn. 3. A symbolic weapon you always carry is: a. a bow and arrow, b. an anthame, c. mantra, d. a poisoned ring. 4. You feel like celebrating on: a. Easter, b. Friday, c. Sabbaths and Esbats, d. Maharishi's Birthday. 5. You could live on: a. eel stew, b. fish and beets blood, c. baked bats, d. chicken and rat soup. The correct answers are: 1-b or c, 2-b, 3-b, 4-c, and 5-b.

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Senior Girls' Counselor Tops The Rocks

by Nancy Schneider

To ski or not to ski? That was a question that faced Mrs. Marguerite Pierce, senior girls' counselor at Rock Island high school, in 1950. Since that time Mrs. Pierce has made skiing more than a hobby. It has become a way of life.

After learning how to walk, side step, and herring bone, Mrs. Pierce was able to attempt the beginners slope. A few falls later she conquered the small decline. All this happened during one summer in Aspen, Colorado. Since that time Mrs. Pierce and her husband spend winter vacation in Colorado skiing.

In 1965, Mrs. Pierce took an extra week of vacation and went to Switzerland. She and her husband spent some time in Zermatt, Switzerland, then traveled to Zurs, Leech, and St. Antoine, Austria. St. Antoine is the world famous jet-set ski resort.

In 1968, Mr. and Mrs. Pierce spent the Christmas holidays in Jackson, Wyoming. They usually stop at Vale, Colorado for one day on the way and on the way back from Wyoming to enjoy the slopes there.

The Pierces are also members of the Mississippi Valley Ski Club. All members of this club have the privilege of using the Illiniwek Forest Preserve. The organization has installed a ski tow there for the benefit of its members.

Mrs. Pierce related an unusual story about dog-sledding in Wyoming. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce were able to take a dog-sled trip to the Montazuma Basin high in the mountains. The dogs that pulled the sled were the animals used in the old television show "Sgt. Preston of the Yukon." The Pierces spent the night in the high mountains and returned the next day.

Another activity that keeps Mrs. Pierce and her husband busy is mountain climbing. They belong to the Iowa and Chicago Mountaineering Clubs. They have climbed the Matterhorn in Switzerland and the Ageas in France.

The Pierces have a three year old daughter named Ann. They are in the process of teaching her how to ski. Mrs. Pierce said that she is coming along very well for being so young.

Practice, technique, and desire are the main ingredients necessary in becoming a good skier or a good mountain climber. This is of course true of any task one would take on in life.

MRS. PIERCE AND her husband scan the valleys below, high atop a Swiss peak.

Superstitutions Mark Friday As a Day of Consternation

by Buzz Mosenfelder

For years, when the day Friday fell on the thirteenth, it meant misfortune for the superstitious.

The origins of Friday superstitions are many. One of the best known is that Eve tempted Adam with the fatal apple on Friday.

Friday was named after Frigg, the Norse Goddess of Marriage. Later she became confused with Fruya, the Goddess of Love. Fruya was supposedly banished to the mountains as a witch. Norseman and Germanic tribes became Christianized.

It was believed that on Friday twelve witches and the devil met to raise evil throughout the world. Because of this, Friday came to be known as "The Witches' Sabbath". This is believed to be origin of today's Friday the thirteenth.

Today many people still firmly believe in superstition and familiar signs, such as walking under a ladder, having a black cat cross your path, breaking a mirror, or trying to avoid these by putting a penny in your shoe, or carrying a rabbit's foot.

Whether or not you are superstitious, Friday the thirteenth seems to hit everyone whether it's believed in or not. Bad luck comes to young and old, even if it is not realized. There seems to be no escape from the day's troubles and worrys.

Last schoolyear, Friday the thirteenth fell in December of 1968. Rocky was no exception for bad luck and misfortune. From dawn to dusk, many unusual things occurred throughout the halls of our school.

One of Rocky's students (we'll call him Wally) was no exception. As Wally crossed the street to enter school, he was hit by Mr. Gerber's fix-it truck. It rolled over and left the words "When Hubby Won't We Will" on top of him.

In another part of the building, a clumsy Junior tripped and pushed Mrs. Butterfield into a Data Processing Machine.

One of the worst hit was Bruce Hamming, Rocky's six foot eight inch center. Bruce was on his way to the gym when he tripped over Carol Dean and set off the fire alarm, sending students and faculty out to freeze in sub-zero weather.

And last but not least was Mr. Evans. He only gave out **thirteen** detentions the entire day.

And what is happening today?

New "Look" of Clothes Sets Pace By Captivating Prints of Yesterday

Turn back the pages of fashion history and you will be right in style with the new trend of clothes for this spring!

The yesterday prints which are from the turn-of-the century are one of the first of many fashion items to step out of a page of history into today's young fashion world.

These dresses come in colors of palest lilacs to pink posies to peach elephants and to purple peacocks. Just pick your preference! They come sweetly ruffled and baby buttoned to big puff shoulders and trumpet sleeves or anywhere in-between. The materials of these dresses are from free-moving jerseys to soft Dacron and Arnel knits.

Next, we turn to the free style and feeling of just being reborn with the big T's. The big T's are those buttoned up shirts and vests that fit as snug and skinny as Grandpa's old undershirts. They come in school skinnys, sport skinnys, and party skinnys. Yep, town and country, night and day, the big T's are for anytime, anywhere!

Flipping her deliciously life-like head of blonde hair with a real flesh body, you can just pull Candy's string and get ready for music and action. This is how she looks in her new little girl dress on, you'll know she's a most charming fashion doll!

Just where is the wandering hemline this spring? You can have it anywhere you want it to be, from "maxi" (ankle length) to "midi" (between knee and ankle) to "mini" (somewhere above). But the total look and proportion must be right for you, so get ready for the new "70's" as you have several worlds of wardrobe to choose from.

Remember too, collecting a wardrobe of accessories is a good way to get more fashion changes for your money. There are many new trinkets to mix with your wardrobe.

Welcome the seventies with a little bit of "maxi," a touch of "midi," and a lot of "mini"! If you choose any of the above styles and any of the lengths you'll be right in style with today. You have a perfect freedom of expression so enjoy it!

American Eagle Victim of Civilization; Extinction of Great Bird Is Feared

The bald eagle, or the American eagle as it is often referred to, has become the symbol of America's strength and courage. This noble bird is found on our coins, our statues, and on all of the United States documents.

It is rather unfortunate, however, that very few Americans have actually seen a live specimen of their national bird. It is especially unfortunate for people of this area, for, excluding Alaska, the Rock Island area is one of the best areas in the country for viewing the American eagle.

This majestic bird is found in Canada and Alaska. During the winter months the eagle migrates south to this area. It fishes in the open waters of the Mississippi River. The eagle is noted for its huge size, and its white head and tail. The mature eagle has a wingspread of six to seven and one half feet.

One of the most popular areas for viewing the eagle is along Credit Island. On a field trip on January 17, the advanced Biology classes spotted fourteen eagles in this area. On the following day a special eagle caravan spotted forty eagles in this same area.

Unfortunately the bald eagle maybe on the verge of extinction. At one time the eagle soared over much of this country. Today the number of eagles is rapidly diminishing. As civilization grows the eagle dies. Lumber companies have torn down the eagles' nesting grounds.

One of the most alarming facts is the relatively few immature eagles. This is most likely due to the pesticide DDT. This pesticide produces a condition where the shells of the eagle's eggs are extremely fragile, and the shells usually break before the egg is fully developed and ready to be hatched.

The high number of eagle deaths is still the result of man's desire to kill things. Many hunters mistake the immature eagle for a large hawk. The immature eagle does not have the breeds recognizable white head and tail. Great care should be taken when shooting at any large bird, for a $500 fine and/or six months imprisonment results in the killing of an eagle.

Unless drastic measures are taken to protect our national bird, the eagle may soon be seen only on our coins, statues, and on our nation's documents.

The American Eagle

Review

Junior Class Brings Acts Of Merriment

by Dan Russell

The Imaginary Invalid left the audience limp wth laughter when the junior class play was presented last Saturday, February 7. The presentation, a French farce, was written by Moliere. Mr. F. Eugene Malcolm directed the all junior cast. The leads were filled by Jon Spurgetis and Debbie Foley.

The main characters, Argan (Spurpetis) and Toinette (Foley), carried the show, being on stage ninety-nine percent of the over all play. Argan's two daughters, Angelique and Luison, were portrayed by Janet Bertelson and Mary Leatherman, respectively. Jim Lohmier was in the role of Beralde, Argan's brother. Susie Cooper did a wonderful job of acting as Argan's wicked and sinister wife. Cleante, Angelique's lover, was played by Jeff Henrickson.

The play was written by Moliere for the purpose of making fun of doctors and medicine. The farce contained many comical views of doctors. Theodore Jamison appeared as the ever helpful apothecary, Monsieur De Bonnefoi. Mme. Fleurant, a nurse, was relived by Sharon Swim. Thomas, Angelique's would-be suitor and a doctor, was portrayed by Doug DeMeyer. Dan Russell appeared as Thomas' father. Roy Phelps turned in a first rate performance as Monsieur Purgon, Argan's faithful doctor.

One of the funniest scenes of the play is when Thomas and his father come to receive the hand of the fair Angelique in marriage. Angelique gets her first look at the man her father has chosen for her.

Ticket sales were well ahead of previous expectations. All tickets were sold by Juniors who take speech and those that were in the play.

Rocky's Dolphins Meet Peoria For Final Home Swim Meet of Season

Tomorrow night the RIHS Dolphins will meet Peoria Richwoods in the Dolphin's pool for a swimming contest which, as stated by Coach Ackerson, should be a very good one.

As for competition between the two teams, this should be a very close meet. Both teams are ranked almost even in the state. Peoria is a team with great depth, having two swimmers in every event ranked in the top fifteen of that event in the state.

Along with this great depth, Peoria also has the number one man in breaststroke in the state, who at this time is a sophomore. As for placings in big meets, Richwood placed third in the Indian Relays, beating Thornridge and losing by only a few points to New Trier.

Both Thornridge and New Trier have defeated the Dolphins in previous meets this season by only a few points. In dual meets, Richwood again lost to New Trier, just as the Dolphins did, but by a narrower margin than the Dolphin team.

While Peoria has swimmers ranked high in the state, the Dolphins are not suffering. Both Freestyle and Medley Relays are ranked second in the state, each of which posts better times than the Richwood relays.

Individual swimmers on the Dolphins are also very strong. Keith Gilliam ranks number one in two events, the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly Besides these rankings, he holds the school record for the 200-yard freestyle and the 200-yard Individual Medley, and is ranked high in both events.

Bob Lohmeier and Jeff Kolinchinsky are also record holders for the Dolphins in the 400 yard freestyle and 100-yard breaststroke, respectively.

Rock Island Frogs Going Underwater

It's a squid! No, it's a shark! No, it's just the Rock Island high school scuba diving class.

The class, which has been in operation for a while, is both fun and hard work according to the amatuer frogmen of the group. Frogmen is actually the wrong term to use since the course is open to frogwomen.

So far, the group has been taught how to use the snorkel and the basic frogman kick among other underwater fundamentals.

The course cost $16, with students supplying their own suit, mask, fins, and snorkel. The class is under the supervision of expert Mr. Harry Wickens.

STEVE BRIGGS SEARCHES for a teammate as the Rocks wallop Assumption by the record-breaking score of 92-51.

Wrestlers Expecting District Wins At Moline High School's Tourney

The Rock Island wrestlers are anticipating possible victories tonight as they compete in the Moline District Tournament.

This year the tourney will be held at Moline Senior High School, 3500 23rd Avenue, Moline. The preliminaries start at 6:00 and the semi-finals and finals are on Saturday at 2:00 and 7:00, respectively.

A total of eleven high schools will be participating in this competitive district meet. Schools represented will be Alleman, East Moline, Moline, Riverdale, Erie, Fulton, Morrison, Orion, Prophetstown. and Sherrard.

The first and second place winners in the tournament, for all weights, will advance to the Sectional division. Sectional will be held at Dixon on February 20 and 21.

Probable wrestlers in the various weight divisions are: 95 lbs.: Mike Bond or John Angel. 107 lbs.: Del Newton. 115 lbs.: Ron Banks. 123 lbs.: Ranel Muskeyvalley, Bruce Huff, or Bennie Blakely. 130 lbs.: Marti Davis, Gavin Angel, Jewel Colvin, or John Chaney. 137 lbs.: Dale Gansz or Mike Hodge. 145 lbs.: Rick Benz or Greg Moroni. 155 lbs.: Rick Bevans. 165 lbs.: Rob Hoffman. 175 lbs.: Keith Atkins. 185 lbs.: Rick Gibson or George Day. Heavy weight: John McDuffy or Terry Ott.

The tickets for this tournament may be purchased at the door. An adult season ticket costs $2.50 and a student season ticket costs $1.50. An adult single admission costs $1.25 and a student single admission costs 75¢.

Rocks Meet Moline Here; Coach Riley Expects Win

Tonight the Rocks host the Moline Maroons at the Rock Island Field House. These two teams have one of the oldest rivalries in the state. This being their 173rd meeting on the basketball floor, the Rocks will go into the game with hope of being the overwhelming victors.

The Rock Island starting lineup will probably be as follows: Hamming at center, Conway, Briggs, or Fallon at guards and at the forward position, it will be Johnson, Elvidge or Barnes.

January 30th the Rock Island squad played against Davenport West on the West court, and was beaten by a score of 90-81 in four overtimes.

The game against West was a tough ball game to lose. After taking a commanding lead, the Rocks lost their momentum when they turned the ball over too many times on errors. It was noted by many spectators of this game that it is doubtful Rocky will again this season meet a team which will include such a well rounded ball player as C. J. Schroeder. That game is now history, the Rocky team feels the experience gained from this battle will help in later games.

The Rocks, who were beaten by the high ranked East Moline Panthers by a 12 point difference on the 23rd of January, came back on the following Saturday night to run down Chicago Du Sable by the outstanding margin of 74-49. Also on the 23rd of the same month, Du Sable was beaten by the mighty Galesburg team by a difference of 10 points.

Although Moline is having one of it's poorest seasons in many years, they cannot be taken lightly by Rock Island because of the tremendous effort they have shown against both highly rated Galesburg and Thorton of Harvey. Both of these teams were in doubt of victory until the final score had been made.

"Conway is making the big difference," Coach Riley remarked, "He is spotting the men for accurate passing."

Boys Gain Muscle With Help of New Gym Equipment

Have you ever noticed the new weight lifting machine in the boys gym? If you have, you know that it is one of the finest pieces of apparatus ever introduced to the Rock Island Physical Education Department.

Vince Lombardi, coach and general manager of the Washington Redskins, formerly with the Green Bay Packers says, "Our players thoroughly enjoy the Universal Gym Machine and I am convinced that it is the finest weight conditioning equipment I have ever seen."

Among the weight lifting exercises that can be performed on it are bench press, arm press, chins, sit ups, and many other exercises for the legs, neck, shoulders, and stomach muscles.

This machine with the other great amounts of gym equipment, will keep Rock Island's Physical Education Department one of the most advanced in the state of Illinois.

Coaching Position Is Filled; Mr. Bonsall Heads Track

Mr. Bonsall

Resigning his position as Athletic Director, H. V. (Shorty) Almquist caused great confusion in the coaching staff of the Rock Island Athletic Department.

Immediately upon Mr. Almquist's resignation, Coach Lundeen assumed Almquist's former responsibilities, therefore leaving a gap in the coaching department.

Mr. Duane Bonsall who came to Rock Island in the fall of '62 as assistant varsity football coach and who became assistant track coach in '63, now takes Lundeen's position as head track coach.

The gap left by Bonsall as assistant varsity football coach was filled by Mr. Ed Varga while Mr. Richard Allison took over as assistant track coach.

Ben Clark, now business manager of the athletic department left his position as second assistant track coach which has not been filled.

Starting for the first time on the coaching staff of Rock Island, Mr. Coolidge, from Edison, will be another assistant track coach. He will be taking over the distance runners while Mr. Bill Hardin will remain in his position as coaching the jumpers in the track squad.

For the football coaching staff, there still is a vacant position for assistant coach which will be filled next fall.

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Jr. Rotarians Are Named For Month of Valentines

Melvin Grimes and Chris Hegg are the new Junior Rotarians for the month of February.

Melvin is the son of the Reverend and Mrs. William Grimes who live at 1209 9th Avenue, Rock Island. Melvin is a member of the orchestra, the Human Relations Club, and the Key Club.

Chris Hegg is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Hegg, who live at 1305 22nd Avenue in Rock Island. Chris has been a wrestler on the wrestling squad. He is in the top five percent of the senior class, a member of the Key Club, and a National Merit Scholarship winner.

Melvin Grimes and Chris Hegg are the eleventh and twelfth Junior Rotarians of the school year. They will attend the four February meetings at the YMCA.

There are eighteen boys chosen from Rock Island High School throughout the school year. They are chosen on the basis of citizenship, leadership, and academic ability.

Melvin and Chris have been added to the list of previous Junior Rotarians. They are John Robison and Bob Lohmeier for the month of September, Jerry Carpenter and Dave Berg for the month of October, Scott Dollinger and Bruce Peterson for the month of November, Bob Martinson and Mark McKissick for the month of December, and John Bevill and Jon Duyvejonck for the month of January.

Rock Island Senior Selected For Betty Crocker Homemaker Award

Pamela Kay DeJonghe, Rock Island high school senior, has recently been honored with the Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow award.

She was selected on the basis of her scores on the homemaking and attitude tests taken by senior girls in Home Economics Classes on December 2.

Pamela received a specially designed silver charm from General Mills, sponsor of the annual homemaking education program, and she is now eligible for one of 102 college scholarships totaling $110,000.

A record number of 646,041 of the country's high school students were enrolled in this year's competition.

The competition for Homemaker of Tomorrow was begun by General Mills in the 1954-55 school year to emphasize the imphasize the importance of homemaking as a career.

With its sixteen year history, more than seven million high school senior girls have participated in this program. Scholarship awards, with this year's grants, total over $1,700,000.

The Betty Crocker search is the only national scholarship program exclusively for high school girls.

Pizza Party Held By PTSA Tonight In The Cafeteria

The Rock Island high school Parent-Teacher-Student Association is sponsoring a pizza and coke party from 5:30 to 7:30 tonight in the school cafeteria.

Tickets for the party went on sale for fifty cents in the cafeteria and student lounge on February 2. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Committee for this project is: Mrs. Frank Mack, chairman: Mrs. Robert Lane, tickets; Mrs. Carl Arson, advertising; and J. C. Bevill, assistant.

The project is to help the PTSA meet their budget. Though it hasn't been voted upon yet, Mrs. Mack said the AFS program is one they will help if the project makes a profit.

An ISU Graduate Has Special Classes

Mrs. Earline Peterson, Rock Island high school Special Education teacher, prepares and instructs classes for sophomores, juniors, and seniors. An Illinois State University graduate, she prepares six subjects daily.

One area presently being covered by Mrs. Peterson's junior and senior English class is creative writing. The students in this class are writing narrative poems and short stories. Seven of her fifteen students are working on this project. The other eight are engaged in work on grammar and sketching. Many of the girls in her class have also been making rugs in a craft class.

Mrs. Peterson, a four-year veteran in Rocky's special education department, in reference to her teaching methods mentioned, "I like to let them make as many decisions as possible."

OFFICERS SHOWALTER, FERGUSON, and Karzin get together to discuss the next dance for the new teen center, The Hang-up.

Quad Cities Students Are Hung Up At New Elks Club Hang Up Dance

"The Hang-Up," sponsored by the Rock Island Elks Club Youth Activity Committee, is slating dances at the Rock Island Elks Club, lower level rooms, across from the U.S. Post Office in downtown Rock Island. The time is 8:30 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. every Friday night.

All teen-agers and their guests are invited to attend the events and the admission fee is seventy-five cents. No student identification card is required.

The night spot is directed and supervised by three members of the Rock Island police department, officers Connie Karzin, James Ferguson, and Jack Showalter. The three patrolmen instigated the affair and stated that the continuance of the dances will depend on the attendance each week.

Officer Karzin stated that the idea was born after he and officer Showalter had been working at the C.Y.C. dances. He said they had seen so much trouble at the after-game dances, that they felt that Rock Island teens needed a place of their own.

Karzin also stated that the three policemen had invested about $50 apiece of their own money for the first dance so the kids would have a good atmosphere to "go and do their thing." He also added that so far the Friday night shindig has had "absolutely no trouble."

The first jam began on the 9th of January, and the combo "Velvet Edge" was featured. It is an area band that plays such songs as Creedence Clearwater's "Proud Mary," Otis Redding's "Sittin' on the Dock of the Bay," and the Temptation's "Get Ready." The band also plays a variety of drum solos.

Further combos slated are the "Third Degree", a Moline rock band, and "The Loved Ones," a combo who have played at various other night spots.

Ticket stubs should be saved because door prizes, consisting of albums and forty-fives, are given at different times during the night. Prizes are also awarded for dance contest winners. The records are donated by various individuals and companies in the Quad-City area.

About the new night spot, Dawn Tomich, sophomore, says, "It's a lot of fun; I hope more kids will come."

Tim Herman, senior, comments, "I like it better than the other dances, and I think it will develop into a jammin' place."

Karzin stated, "If you need any further information, please call me at 794-9820."

A Peek Into the Pages Of A Rocky Girl's Diary

by Debbie Sullivan

Dearest Diary, Friday

Can it be that this much disaster can come to one innocent individual as myself? I think that my calculus teacher hit the nail on the head when he asked me if I was working on the solution, or if I was part of the problem. For unknown to him, Melvin Peal asked me to the game tonight. It's not that I lack interest, but I can't help but think of last time. We were doubling with some friends and they overheard me tell Melvin, "One more move like that and I'll crown you." The trouble was, Melvin's game wasn't checkers. Well, Melvin lost, but the Rocks won.

Dearest Diary, Saturday

Today was very uneventful. As a matter of fact, the only thing I can recall is a conversation I overheard between a pig and a chicken. It seems they wanted to open a new restaurant and serve only ham and eggs. They both were esthusiastic about the idea until it dawned on the pig that it was only a contribution on the chicken's part, but for him, it was total commitment.

Tonight's bedtime prayer: Lord, fill my mouth with worthwhile stuff, and nudge me when I've said enough.

Dearest Diary, Sunday

In church this morning, our pastor was grateful to see a twenty dollar bill in the plate. He expressed his thanks for the offering and added "We're so grateful to the person who gave the twenty dollars that we would like that person to choose three hymns. Whereupon a little maiden lady in the rear of the sanctuary rose, pointed to three eligible bachelors and said, "I'll take him and him and him."

Walking home from church, I was carrying my Bible as usual, when a hippie stopped me and sarcastically asked what kind of book I was carrying. I must record our conversation.

Him: You mean to tell me that you actually believe the story about the man who was swallowed by a big fish?

Me: I most certainly do and I intend to ask Jonah all about it when I get to heaven.

Him: And what if he's not there?

Me: Then you tell him.

I wonder what tomorrow will bring.

Students Going to College These Tests Are For You

Four important dates are coming up fast. College-bound juniors and seniors who missed them last year should take note of the coming college tests.

The first date is Tuesday, February 17 for the National Merit test. This test is not necessary but is used for awarding scholarships. The second is the American College test (ACT) Saturday, Aprirl 25. Most colleges use these scores for admission and placement purposes. The scholastic Aptitude test (SAT) will be given Saturday, May 2. It is taken only if your college requires a spring score.

An important night also is College Night, where juniors may talk with the representatives from the college of their choice. This is scheduled for Tuesday, April 14.

For more information on registration, times and fees ask your counselor. Any additional information will be announced over the public address system.

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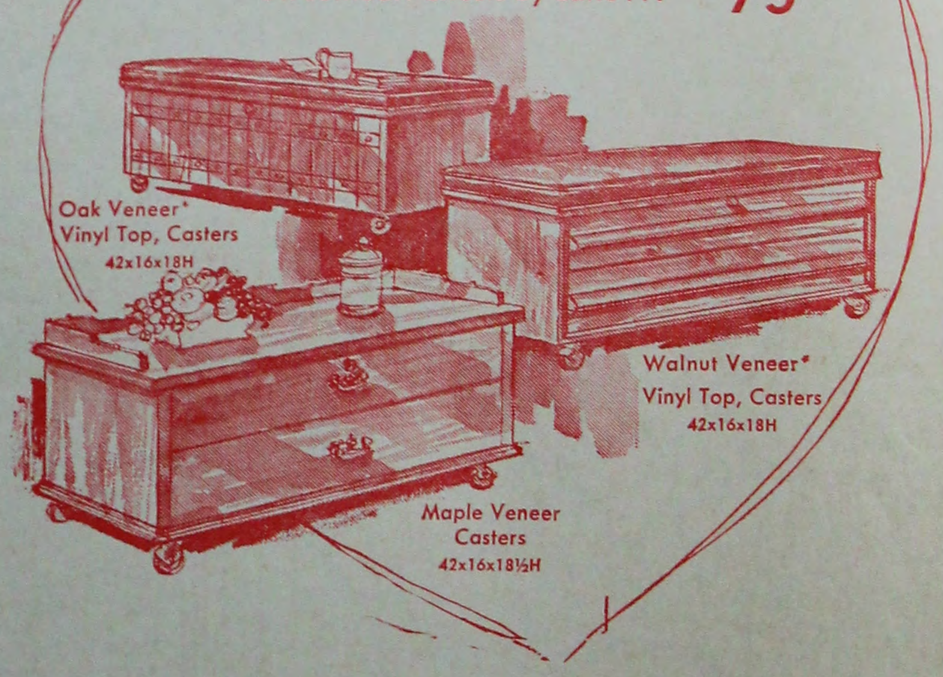

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